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1. In May 1950 the VP School in Prenzlau (N 54/2 04) was composed of eleven 150-man companies of three platoons each. The 11th Co was activated in late March 1950. Inspekteur Schuelke,\*(fnu), a former German Army master sergeant was school commandant. Kommandeur Eisenecker,\*\*PK-Leiter, was a former German Army master sergeant. Each company had two German 80-mm mortars and each platoon two light machine guns, Model 42. BM were equipped with Model 98 K carbines. Daily night training of several companies, either in the area west of the Panzer Kaserne or in the Schoenwerden (N 54/2 04) area had been held since late April 1950. The companies which usually left at 4 p.m., were reinforced by a platoon of men carrying slung rifles and long-handled shovels. It was rumored that the current course would end in September 1950. After graduation the trainees will be distributed to the various Bereitschaften and new recruits will arrive at the school.
2. The following VP motor vehicles were  in Prenzlau in May 1950: BMW passenger cars,  3-ton Renault truck,  and 2.5-ton Opel Blitz trucks  The Opel Blitz trucks were new and designed as personnel carriers.
3. It was observed on 9 and 10 May 1950 that the Alte Kaserne on Alsenstrasse was occupied to capacity by more than 1,000 police. Ten platoons, each with about 30 police armed with carbines, marched to the airfield on the afternoon of 10 May 1950. The platoons drilled and practiced throwing hand grenades. Another unit of about 150 police in fatigue uniforms practiced crossing barbed-wire obstacles which were being constructed by another group of about 30 police.
4. VP General Richard Stainer, ( was billeted in the headquarters building on the western border of the airfield, according to local residents. The building was guarded by many sentries. Many VP officers from the Alte Kaserne and the Fliegerhorst Kaserne were seen.

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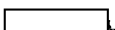
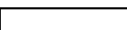
Passenger cars were observed only at the "Liegernhorst Kaserne" which was heavily occupied by 1,500 to 2,000 police. The entire barracks area was strongly guarded.

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